

Second Sunday of Easter

April 8, 2018 11:00 am

"God is Spirit, and His worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth." (John 4:24)

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth" (arr. Whitworth) Sandy Griese

*Call to Worship

L: Give thanks to the Lord!

P: God's love endures forever!

L: Sing songs of victory! Shout the good news!

P: Jesus is risen! Christ is risen!

L: Open the gates of righteousness!

P: Enter in and give thanks to the Lord!

All: This is the day the Lord has made! Hallelujah! Rejoice! Christ is risen!

*Opening Hymn "Up from the Grave He Arose" UMH 322

*Opening Prayer (in unison)

"Risen Savior, you have called us, and we walk on with you. Open our eyes and our hearts to hear the witness of your people. Amen."

Anthem Ben Griese

Children's Message

Hymn Response "Alleluia" (v. 1) UMH 186

Prayer of Confession (John 20) (unison)

Holy One, like doubting Thomas, it is often hard for us to believe where we have not seen; it is even hard for us to accept your love when we have known it directly and felt the wounds carried by others on our behalf. Forgive us, we pray, for our doubt and our unbelief. Amen.

Words of Assurance (1 John 1)

If anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

**Please rise either in posture or in spirit.*

Epistle Lesson 1 John 1:1-2:2 (John proclaims his faith) Bonnie Revell
Gospel Lesson John 20:19-31 (The Risen Christ appears to the disciples)

*Hymn of Faith "The Day of Resurrection" UMH 303

Message "From Doubt to Peace of Mind" Rev. Oden Warman
The author of the Fourth Gospel assures us that all who believe are offered new life in Christ's name. God does not give up on sinners and doubters.

Giving in Response to God's Love

Offertory Sandy Griese

*Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 94

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & the Lord's Prayer (in unison)

*Closing Hymn "Thine Be the Glory" UMH 308

Sending Forth with God's Blessing

*Hymn Response **Blest Be the Tie That Binds** (v. 1) UMH 557

Postlude "Alleluia, Alleluia" (Albin) Sandy Griese

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*The flowers on the altar today are given in honor of
Brenda Knopp's birthday by her family*

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Lection Reading for Following Sunday

Acts 3:12-19 Psalm 4 1 John 3:1-7 Luke 24:36b-48

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OUR FAITH IN ACTION

Our Prayers: Connor Goonan, Tim Gillikin – recovering from a fall, Linda Vann, Jane Bowman, Helen McGill, Elizabeth Stinson, Bob & Van King, Tyler Madden, People in transition, Olivia Gammel – friend of Chris Heyer, Sarah Stallings, Jerome Stallings, Shirley Wood, Carl Stallings, Sr, Those who travel, For the healing of the nation.

Our Presence: Worship Attendance Last Sunday 358
 Average Weekly Worship Attendance 211

Our Gifts: Please strive to tithe! The Bible asks us to tithe 10% of our income to God. Many of our members are doing this already. How about you? You may give your offering electronically (EFT). Call the church office to set it up. *Stewardship is rather a way of life than an annual campaign. Thank You for your faithful stewardship!*

Record of Giving (Funds Received by the Church)

| | January-February 2018 | | | | | |
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| | Actual | | Budget | | Surplus / (Deficit) | Var % |
| General Fund | \$56,842 | | \$61,222 | | (\$4,380) | -7% |
| Missions Fund | \$2,437 | | \$3,294 | | (\$857) | -26% |
| P&I Fund | \$4,031 | | \$2,661 | | \$1,370 | 51% |
| Building Fund | \$9,748 | | \$9,603 | | \$145 | 2% |
| Kitchen Fund | \$4,155 | | \$1,665 | | \$2,490 | 150% |
| Weekly SCAN Report | Cereal | 2 | Other | 2 | YTD Cereal | 389 |

*Kitchen Fund Balance = \$119,726/ Mortgage Loan Balance = \$332,500 as of February 28, 2018

Our Service:

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| Ministers | All Members and Volunteers at Friendship |
| Secretary | Bonnie Dean bsuedean@friendshipmethodist.org |
| Music Team | Sandy Melson Griese, Holly Reynolds Lee, Chrys Hill, Micah Cooley |
| Children & Youth Ministry Coord. | Courtney Eversfield, cymc@friendshipmethodist.org |
| Custodian | Jim Fowler |
| Counters | Joyce Terry & Missy Zentz |
| Greeters & Ushers | Courtney & Janice Eversfield |
| Altar Guild for April | Kitty Beck Wilson (410-257-6519) |
| Friendship Hour | Mary Magdalene Zone (Grace DeGeorge) |
| Stephen Ministry Coordinator | Paula Madden 443-262-2635 (C) |
| Pastor | Rev. Wayne Chung 443.646.5653 leadpastor@friendshipmethodist.org |

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 11:00 am Worship Service



“THESE ARE WRITTEN

 SO...that by
BELIEVING

 you may have
LIFE

IN HIS NAME.”
JOHN 20:31, ESV

Our Mission: “Grow as Disciples, Serve as Friends.
 Love All; Serve All; Follow One!”

Our Motto: ”Each One, Reach One!”